

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-32 and 38-42.

Remarks:

Consideration of the foregoing amendments and following remarks is respectfully requested.

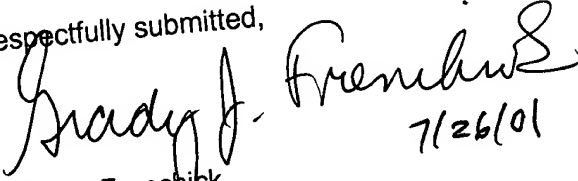
The amendment to the specification amends the application to correctly claim the chain of priority of the present application, extending through the parent to the provisional application upon which the parent was based.

The amendment cancels all claims except 33-37. Claims 33-37 were subject of the restriction requirement on 09/28/00 in U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/358,757.

For reasons set forth above, Applicant respectfully submits that the amendment to the specification introduced herein adds no new matter to the subject patent application.

Applicant respectfully submits that the remaining claims in the present application are in condition for allowance. A favorable action thereon is, therefore, respectfully requested. Should the Examiner feel that any other point requires consideration or that the form of the claims can be improved, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the number listed below.

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